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**First Lucy Peres Award Presented to Volunteer with
Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division**

Las Vegas, NV— The Aging Services Directors Organization (ASDO) has named Tom MacPherson as the first recipient of the Lucy Peres Award. MacPherson volunteers for two Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division (ADSD) volunteer programs and two programs at Summerlin Hospital.

In remembrance of Lucy Peres, the ASDO established an award in her name to honor and recognize her many contributions in the aging services community. Peres, a great leader who passionately served the Las Vegas community, died unexpectedly on May 29. After her retirement from the state of Nevada, she actively advocated for senior rights. Peres was a past president of the Las Vegas Chapter of the National Silver Haired Congress, and was chairperson of the ASDO at the time of her death.

Tom MacPherson moved to Las Vegas in 1993 after his retirement from AT&T with 37 years of service. MacPherson has a passion for giving back and serving the aging community in the Las Vegas area. When asked about why he volunteers, he said, "It is important to give back and help others. Everyone can help another person in some way. I am happy I can help others through my efforts and contribute to positively impacting their lives."

MacPherson actively gives back by serving as a volunteer in numerous capacities. He volunteers with the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) and Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP). In addition, MacPherson serves as a Summerlin Hospital volunteer and president of the Summerlin Hospital Auxiliary Board.

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